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Serial No. 09/840,878

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Title: IRON COMPOUND CATALYST FOR INHIBITING GENERATION OF DIOXIN AND INCINERATION PROCESS OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE USING THE SAME

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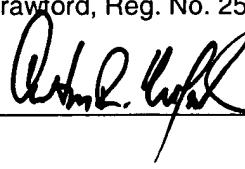
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2003 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due October 16, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time is \$420 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now December 16, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and

Response is being timely filed.

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